

b1 This application claims priority under 35 USC 120 of PCT/US98/01419 filed January 26, 1998, designating the U.S., which is incorporated herein by reference, which in turns claims priority of U.S. Provisional Application 60/036,047 filed January 27, 1997.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

b2 1. (Once Amended) A method of retrieving desired phone number information using a network protocol, comprising the steps of:

a user entering into the electronic device a network address of a party whose phone number information is to be retrieved;

the electronic device sending a request to a server in accordance with the network protocol, the request containing a predictable variant of said address; and

the server sending the desired phone number to the electronic device.

Please amend claim 14 as follows:

b3 14. (Once Amended) A method of establishing communication with a party using an electronic device, comprising:

transparently prefacing the communication with a network communications exchange, established based on an electronic address of the party with which communication is to be established, to obtain information for communicating with said party; and

the electronic device being connected to communicate with said party using said information.

Please add the following new claim: